

SPECIAL STATUS APPLICATION

Appl. No. 10/659,413

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Amendment and Reply AF dated May 19, 2005**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-31 (canceled)

32. (currently amended) An antiseptic composition comprising at least one salt of ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid (EDTA) and a solvent, wherein the at least one EDTA salt comprises tetra-sodium EDTA and is at a concentration of at least 2.0% (w/v) and less than 15% (w/v), wherein the antiseptic composition has a bactericidal effect over a broad spectrum of microbes, wherein the antiseptic composition has a pH of at least 9.5, and wherein the antiseptic composition is packaged in a sterile, pyrogen-free form safe and biocompatible, at least in modest volumes, in a patient's bloodstream.

Claim 33. (canceled)

34. (currently amended) A composition of any of claims 32, 54, 55, or 56, comprising tri-sodium and tetra-sodium EDTA.

Claims 35-36 (canceled)

37. (currently amended) A composition of any of claims 32, 54, 55, or 56, wherein the solvent comprises less than 10% (v/v) ethanol and water.

Claim 38. (canceled)

39. (currently amended) A composition of any of claims 32, 54, 55 or 56, wherein the solvent comprises saline.

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